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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Sirs,

I feel that the settlement between the United States and Microsoft should not go forward. Microsoft is a company that leverages it's incredible bulk and power upon fledging industries and companies and has no peer and no challenger other than the United States government. I have seen many of my personal choices as a consumer limited due to Microsoft's 'Embrace and Extend' farce of a philosophy. The protocols are open, yet there is no competition. Does this not make anyone with the ability to remedy the problem concerned?

Why can you not buy an Intel PC compatible product with an operating system other than Microsoft Windows preinstalled? Simply, because Microsoft has closed those doors to the competition illegally leveraging it's market position to strong arm PC manufacturers.

Kind Regards,

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